

The True

RELATION,

Of the most Barbarous and

Bloody Murther

OF

Thomas Thinn Esq.

Who was shot in his Coach, by several Outlandish Ruffians, on the 12th of this instant Feb. 1681. with an Account of the taking five persons upon suspicion, of being concerned in the Murther, whose Names are, Christopher Uval, Phredrick Herbert, John Sterne, Amiens Berg, George Boriskie, who were Examined before the King and Council, and thereupon committed to Newgate, where they remain in order to their Tryals.

Murthers, Assassinations, and Riots are grown so frequent in this Nation, that Italy or Spain may boast of less Bloodshed; which is for the most part occasioned by the Resort of Outlandish Villains, who being Outlaw'd and pursued for Murthers, and many Outrages in their own Contry, fly hither to shelter themselves in this Kingdom, but above all the Barbarous, Cowardly, & most execrable Murther that has been Acted since the death of Sir *Edmond-Bury-Godfrey*, none have parallel'd this, of which we shall give the Reader an Account.

Thomas Thinn Esq; a Gentleman not only of a plentiful Estate, but a Person of singular Knowledg and Virtue, He having been on the 12th Instant being Sunday, to Visit several Persons of Quality, and amongst the rest, his Grace the Duke of *Moxmouth* with whom he dined that day, and continued in Company with him till about five in the Afternoon, when taking leave of his Grace near *Hedg-Lane*, he after some short stay, at a place or two, took Coach in order to return home; when the Coachman driving through the *Palmal*, his Footmen, who were three in number, run-

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ning by the Coach with Flambeaux, three persons well moun-
ted, were observed to Ride near the Coach, but the Foot-
men suspecting no such thing as afterwards happened, took
little notice of them; but when they came about the mid-
dle of the *Mall*, they Rid up close to his Coach, when the
Coachman then drove but softly, and without any word
speaking, one if not two of them fired into the Coach, dire-
ctly where Esquire *Thinn* sat, and as soon as they had done,
set Spurs to their Horses and rod up towards *Clarendon* House
as fast as possible, the Coach at present being full of Smoak,
the people crouded about to see what the matter was, when
opening the Dore, they found the Esquire fallen cross the
Coach bleeding at the Breast extremely, whereupon, his ser-
vants took him out and carried him into a House, sent for
Chirurgions, stripped him and endeavoured to search the
wounds, but to no purpose, for five Bullets had entered his
Body, three of the five passing quite through of which
about seven the next Morning he dyed.

Whereupon, pursuit being made after the Murtherers, by several
Constables and their Watchmen, they not finding them in the Streets
searched several Houses; his Grace the Duke of *Monmouth* (upon no-
tice of the barbarous Murther) was not wanting to be present at the
same; when at last accidentally coming into a house near *Charing-
Cross*, they enquired what persons lodged there, and had Answer on-
ly one outlandish Gentleman; but he was not come in; at which they
began to question his Man where he was, who told them, that he told
him, that if he did not come home at such a time; that he should
bring his Boots to a Doctors in *Leicester-fields*; this created a susption
whereupon they took the Servant with them to the Doctors house, and
coming in, demanded what Lodgers they had; the Doctor at first said
none, but they pressing to search the house, he then acknowldged he
had one which was in Bed; being under his Cure for a Clap; where-
upon they went up and finding him in Bed, charged him with the
Murther; which he at first denied, But his Man owning him, as like-
wise a Pistol to be his, that was dropt in the Flight, he could not de-
ny it, and thereupon being seiz'd, he confessed; four others were ap-
prehended that night, and the next day carried before the Council
George Boraskie confessed he shot the Carbine into the Coach and that
he was so commanded by Captain *Uval* his Master; whereupon they
together with *John Stern*, *Frederick Herbert*, and *Amiens Berge* were
committed to *Newgate*. Esquire *Thinn* lived after his having received
the Wound; till about seven in the Morning; when after having re-
ceived the Sacrament he died.

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